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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 25th-November, through Sunday, 2nd-December there were 232 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3DA, 3V, 3W, 3X, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4U1I, 4U1U, 4X, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5V, 5W, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C6, C9, CE, CE0Y, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9C, VK9L, VK9N, VP2E, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP8/o, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XF4, XT, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2/R, ROTUMA

Just a reminder. By the time you read this, Tony, FO5RK, is expected to be here until possibly the end of January. He will be active as 3D2AG/P. Activity will be limited during the first two

weeks because of his work. Full-time operations are expected to start around December 15th. Look for him to be on 80-10 meters CW/SSB and 6 meters. For updates and online log, visit:

<http://www.3d2ag.fr.tc/>

5R, MADAGASCAR

Remco, PG0A, has once again returned here and will be active as 5R8NL until December 7th. His first operation was back in 2005. Activity will be a "holiday style" operation. He will be using a FT-857 with an amplifier using verticals and some wire antennas. Remco was heard this past week only on CW and on 40/20/17/15/10 meters at various times throughout the day; earlier as 0830z and as late as 2030z. OPDX was informed by Dennis, PA7FM, that Remco is not into QSLing at all, and effective immediately, PA7FM has taken over Remco's QSL job for this operation as well as the earlier operations. Dennis states, "There's a small backlog of direct QSL request that will be cleared after this operation as soon as possible. Apologies for that to those awaiting an answer." He also mentions that a small Web site will become available online with the possibility of online logs and more photos when the internet connection is good enough. Please remember this is a holiday style operation with just one operator, so no 24 hour around the clock operation.

CE0Z, JUAN FERNANDEZ ISLAND

Svein, LA6IKA, has been on a three month vacation in South America since the beginning of November. He has operated from Chile (CE/LA6IKA) and Argentina (LU/LA6IKA) on 20 meters CW and PSK. In late January he is expected to operate as CE0Z/LA6IKA from Juan Fernandez Island ([SA-005](#)). Svein will use an ICOM 703 with only 10 watts and small antennas. QSL via his home callsign. ADDED NOTES: He will also try to get a licence for Easter Islands (CE0Y/LA6IKA). Svein has a blog which keeps you up-to-date on his activities at:

<http://la6ika.blogg.no/>

CT9, MADEIRA ISLAND

Luis, CT3EE, will activate CT9EPC, a special callsign for the EPC (European PSK Club) members on Madeira Island, between December 3-8th and again during December 22-28th. Activity will be mainly on 40/20 meters because of propagation. The callsign CT9EPC is used only on the Digital modes, and the main objective is to have more activity on these modes. QSL direct to CT3EE (see [\(QRZ.com\)](#)) and not to the Bureau (he is not a member of the Portuguese National QSL Bureau). Please visit the EPC Web page at:

http://eu.srars.org/index.php?option=com_weblinks&catid=29&Itemid=144

EA8, CANARY ISLANDS ([AF-004](#))

Giovanni, IZ2DPX, will be active as EA8/IZ2DPX from the Island of Fuerteventura between December 30th and January 6th. Activity will be on 40/20/17/15/12/10 meters using a Kenwood TS-50 with a MFJ Tuner into a Spar IIUJX multiband vertical antenna. QSL direct to IK2DUW or by the Bureau.

INDEXA (Helping Make DX Happen)

Gary Dixon, K4MQG, INDEXA President, wants to alert fellow DXers that the recently revised

INDEXA Web site now has additional features and functions. The INDEXA Web site can be viewed at:

<http://www.indexa.org/>

Gary states, "INDEXA is all about providing financial support for DXpeditions considered to be on the 'most wanted list', so hope the pending DXpeditions we are supporting will be a new DXCC entity or at least provide you with a few new band countries. Anyone interested in supporting INDEXA and its goals (including membership or donations) can get information from the Web site."

IOTA NEWS

NA-035. (Update) Operators Ray/WQ7R/HR9, Lane/KC4CD/HR2, Antonio/HR2DX, Daniel/HR2DMR, Ramon/HR7REA, Javier/HR2J, Pedro/HR2PAC and possibly more will activate **Swan Island** as HQ8R between March 15-23rd. They plan to be active on 160-10 meters with two stations on phone, one on CW and one on the Digital modes (RTTY and PSK31). They plan to have four stations with ten operators. QSL via HR2RCH: Radio Club de Honduras, PO Box 273, San Pedro Sula, Cortes, HONDURAS (Information from (QRZ.com)). Visit their Web site at:

<http://www.hondurasdx.com>

J5, GUINEA BISSAU (Update)

The "F6KOP TEAM" is planning a DXpedition to Guinea Bissau on Bubaque Island (**AF-020** and WLOTA 1145) between January 11-21st (2008). Their callsign will be J5C. This past week the team announced that Serge, F6AML, had to cancel his participation for some personal reasons. Jean-Marc, F8IXZ, (ex-6W1/F8IXZ, 6W4/F8IXZ, TM0GAY, F8IXZ/D44AC, 5H1C), a CW operator, will join the F6KOP team and will go in place of Serge. For up-to-date info, visit their Web pages at:

<http://www.j5c.eu>

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS (OC-086)

Operators Hiro/W1VX, Toshi/N3YS and Hide/AB2WE will be active from Saipan, December 7-10th. Look for them to sign as KH0/homecall and KH0D. Activity will be on 80-10 meters, CW, SSB, RTTY and FM. QSL W1VX and KH0D via JF1OCQ, N3YS via JE1SYN, AB2WE via JI1JPJ.

NCDXF PRESS RELEASE

At its Board of Directors meeting on November 28, 2007, in Albany, CA, the Northern California DX Foundation re-elected the following officers and directors:

President	Len Gerald	K6ANP
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Director	Tim Totten	N4GN

Information pertaining to the Northern California DX Foundation is available at:

<http://www.ncdxf.org>

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES TO NET NEW DXCC ENTITIES FOR 2008!

Over the past year much discussion has been made about the possibility of new DXCC entities happening once the break-up/disbanding of the Netherlands Antilles takes effect on December 15th, 2008. This past week, the President of European DX Foundation (EUDXF), Hans, PB2T, who visited ARRL HQ in July and had a discussion about the DXCC status of Netherlands Antilles, feels after December 15th, 2008, it looks like four new entities will be added to the DXCC list in the future (Curacao, Sint Maarten, Saba, Sint Eustatius and Bonaire).

OH0, ALAND ISLAND

Operator Ari, OH5DX, will be active as OH0Z during the CQ 160-Meter CW Contest (January 26-27th, 2008) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via W0MM.

OH0, ALAND ISLAND

Operator Juha, OH9MM, will be active as OH0Z during the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 9-10th, 2008) as a Single-Op/All- Band entry. QSL via W0MM.

PIRATE ALERTS

FR7BB - Marcel, F6EKB (ex-FR7BB), doesn't know anything about this callsign being reissued. It was recently heard on the air. Marcel left Reunion Island in 1976 and was 3X0HNU until 1993. By the way, he still has his logs.

MU0A - Phil, GU0SUP, reports that during the CQWW CW Contest, the callsign MU0A was very active and was spotted numerous times, and made many S&P contacts. He states, "Sadly, this call has never been issued, a fact which has been confirmed by Ofcom, the licencing authority in the UK, and therefore the operation was a pirate."

PJ4, NETHERLANDS ANTILLES

Larry, Wo0Z, will be active as PJ4/Wo0Z from Bonaire (**SA-006**) from December 8-15th. He will be active on CW, SSB and possibly RTTY on whatever bands are open in this holiday-style DXpedition. QSL via Wo0Z (PLEASE NOTE: "Whiskey Oscar zero Zulu").

QSL INFO AND NEWS

QSL ROUTES by Johannes/DK8JB and Tedd/KB8NW:

SY1942G via **SV2KBB** or **eQSL** or **direct**

W4AVM via **W4REX**

XE2GG via **N6AN**

YB4IPY via **YB4IR** (direct, 2 USDs)

YB4IR (direct, 2 USDs)

VP2MNR via **K9CS** (NOT via **YU1NR**)

6W1SJ QSLs IN THE MAIL. Boris, T93Y, informs OPDX that all 6W1SJ direct QSL

requests received by November 27th, are in the mail. He recommends to allow the B/H postal system sometime to deliver airmail letters (up to 4 weeks) before you start asking questions about your QSL cards at: 6w1sj@t93y.com

NEW QSL MANAGER. Andrew, G7COD, reports that due to the sad passing of Buck, G0OYH, he now has a new QSL Manager effective immediately for his **EA8/G7COD/A** operation and QSLs can be sent either by the bureau or direct to G4KEE. To ensure that you receive a reply, even if you have already sent one to his previous manager, please resend another one to G4KEE.

QSLs VIA LOTW: 8R1EA, GI4NKB, HC8N, JT1T, LU6FEH, ST0RY, TZ6DX and ZS6WN

QSLs RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 3B7C, 3DA0VM, 4O3A, 4S7HIG, 5H3VMB, 5H3VMB/3, 5H3VMB/5, 5N8NDP, 5R8RJ, 5X1VB, 5Z4/UA4WHX, 7P8JF, 7Q7VB, 9U0A, 9X0VB, A52AM, AO9IB, BD7KLO/7, C98BWW, CN8KD, D20VB, D88S, EK3GM, F5KAQ/p, FP/K9MDO, FS/CT1BWW, KD3CQ/p, KL7HBK, P29NI, R1AND, T77C, T93J, TA4HZ, TC0DX, TK1CX, UK8OM, UT7QE, V51VV, VO1J, VY0/KH0PR, W4USI, WW2SUB, XX9TJS, YW5AS, Z2/UA4WHX, ZL7/SP5EAQ and ZL7/SP9PT

SILENT KEYS

OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the families and friends of the following Silent Keys:

Wolf Baron, TI2BY, was a well-known ham who started his hobby shortly after WWII and remained active until the present day. In Costa Rica and Latin America, he pioneered digital modes, especially packet. But overall Wolf Baron was known as one of the great teachers of amateur radio in Central and South America.

Dan Umberger, W8ZCQ, became a Silent Key (SK) on November 30th. He was a serious DXER and had 378 countries to his credit. An online obituary is available with a online guestbook at:

<http://www.legacy.com/Dispatch/Obituaries.asp?Page=Lifestory&PersonId=98872947>

TR, GABON

Roland, F8EN, will once again be active as TR8CR (possibly with a special callsign) from Libreville from December 7th to January 12th. Activity will be mostly on 20 meters (14005, 14125/200 kHz). There is a possibility that Roland may make a short operation from an island in the **AF-043** IOTA group. QSL via F6AJA or F8EN.

YB, INDONESIA

Juergen, DJ3KR, is now active as YB1AQB until December 15th. He will be active on all bands using an IC-7000 into a vertical that is 10m in height. Activity has been mainly on 40/30/17 meters CW between 1100-1700z. QSL via his home callsign.

YJ0, VANUATU

Three members of the VK Contest Club will be active from here as YJ0AX during the CQ WW

WPX SSB Contest (March 29-30th, 2008) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Trent/VK4TI, Tony/VK3TZ and Laurie/VK4VCC. QSL routes will be announced later for NA and Europe. A Google group for discussion - YJ0AX2008, has been set up for interest and is open to all operators of contest calibre.



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kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ",
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